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## Becky Cselovszki Named Administrator of Excellence

(St. Paul, MN) – The Minnesota Association of School Administrators (MASA) has named Becky Cselovszki, Superintendent of St. James Public Schools, as a 2018 Administrator of Excellence. Cselovszki received this award in recognition of her leadership, concern for students, and active involvement in professional and community affairs. She was honored at a statewide recognition ceremony during the MASA/MASE Spring Conference, March 8-9, 2018, at the Minneapolis Marriott Northwest in Brooklyn Park.

Cselovszki's achievements reflect her ability to lead important changes in the educational system. Cselovszki has been serving as Superintendent of St. James Public Schools since 2010. Prior to her role at St. James, she was the Superintendent at Heron Lake-Okabena School District from 2000-2010. She has been a Superintendent for almost 18 years.

Cselovszki worked relentlessly to pass a \$24 million dollar referendum for St. James Public Schools. It was the district's seventh attempt in more than 14 years. The passing of the referendum will support additional space for the growing enrollment, state of the art science labs that can now offer college science curriculum, and an event center that will bring in revenue to the district. Cselovszki also oversaw the transition of Northside Elementary moving from a Priority School (bottom 5%) to a Celebration School (top 25%) in just four years. Cselovszki continues to work with the Board of Education in Strategic Planning Initiatives and Staff Development to continue to move the district forward. The District's Mission is "High Expectations, Real Results" and every staff and student knows this mission and sees it posted daily.

Cselovszki is also a team player and actively works with her colleagues. St. James Public Schools partners with Butterfield-Odin Public School in sports and academic offerings. The district is in a consortium for Title III with neighboring districts and is also an Achievement and Integration Collaborative. St. James Public Schools is also a member of the latest Innovation Zone application.

Cselovszki earned a bachelor's degree in French and Education from South Dakota State University. She received an Educational Administrator degree and a Sixth Year Certificate in Educational Administration from St. Cloud State University.

Each year, MASA recognizes members for their contribution to public education. MASA is a professional organization of Minnesota's school leaders, including superintendents, assistant superintendents, directors of special education, and other central office administrators, as well as state department administrators, college and university professors, and other educators throughout Minnesota dedicated to educational leadership for students.

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